5th May 1962]

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Was not the land actually handed over by the Defence Ministry to one of the citizens of Madras?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Yes.

Sales tax

* 42 *Q.*—SRI T. P. SRINIVASAVARADAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state whether any representations have been received to exempt from sales tax certain medical goods like asavas and arishtas, including draksharishtam and pippilavasavam, and if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Yes, Sir. The Government examined the representation and issued a Press Note on 15th March 1962 explaining the position. A copy of the Press Note[a] is placed on the Table of the House.

Refixation of pay

* 43 *Q.*—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether is is a fact that weightage has not been allowed in the refixation of pay in the revised scales of pay in the case of some teachers in elementary and secondary schools; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) & (*b*) No, Sir. Weightage has been allowed in the case of all teachers.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Am I right in taking it that the total service of a teacher as entered in the Service Register is taken for the purposes of weightage?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : It is so.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Are the Government aware that Pandits of over 15 years of service and with secondary grade service in elementary schools have not been given proper weightage and will the Government re-examine the question?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I would like to have notice.

SRI K. ANBAZHAGAN : தலைவர் அவர்களே, பஞ்சாயத்து யூனியனில் மேற்கொள்ளப்பட்ட தனியார் பள்ளிகளில் பணியாற்றிக்கொண்டிருந்த ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு அவர்கள் முன்னால் பணியாற்றிய கால அளவு மேற்கொள்ளப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா என்பது சர்க்காருக்குத் தெரியுமா ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : அது இப்போது அரசாங்கத்தின் யோசனையில் இருக்கிறது.

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[a] Printed as Appendix on page 296.